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FRENCH CONCESSION PRESS LAWS.

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- (4) If the permit is granted no journal or review shall be put into circulation unless a sample copy has been first deposited with the French Police and the French Consulate-General.
- (5) In the event of an infringement of Art.II (1) the editors, sellers and distributors, and in the event of an infringement of Art.II (2) the directors or managers of the establishment will be prosecuted by the Directors of the Police and Surety Services in the tribunals before which they are justiciable. The closing of the establishment, in addition, may be declared by the Consul-General.
- (6) The permit contemplated by Article II shall prove no obstacle to the prosecution of the holder of the permit, the author and, if need be, the printer of any work contrary to public peace and good order.
- (7) The present ordinance will come into force on the date of its publication.
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